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The Honorable Wilbur D. Mills
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Mills:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 21 June 1954 with its enclosure of a letter to you from [redacted]. The enclosure is being returned herewith.

While it is extremely difficult to advise a young man as to the courses of study he should follow for employment in CIA, it can be stated as a general rule that a thorough background in the fields of international relations, international economics and foreign area specialities are always helpful. This is particularly true when coupled with a fluency in some language other than Western European.

In so far as the court conviction of [redacted] is concerned, I can only state that his conviction would be one of the factors which would be very heavily weighed in an appraisal of his entire background should he seek Government employment. While I cannot give you a final opinion without a complete study of [redacted] background, I would be inclined to state that, in the absence of very important features to counterbalance the conviction, we would find it would be a bar to his employment at CIA.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED

C. P. CABELL
Lieutenant General, USAF
Deputy Director

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